

Suitcase Stuff

By "Skink" Browning

Mary Station and Fannie Isley of Asheville are not sisters . . . the story broke last week when Mary's husband sued her for funds she allegedly had given to Fannie to help the family . . . The two had reportedly posed as sisters since childhood days.

Simmy Epland of Asheville pawned the wrong suit of clothes when he mistook a roomer's as his own . . . in court he pleaded guilty to a "gross mistake with good intentions."

Miss Annette Chance Wilson of Parmelee returned to her post at Knoxville College, in Knoxville, Tennessee after spending two weeks with her father, Prof. W. C. Chance, who recently underwent an operation to which he favorably responded . . . She was accompanied by the Reverend Matthew Jones.

Jahany Richards of Raleigh hid 75 eggs in his house when unfavorable weather prevented his carrying thirty-five kids to the woods for an Easter egg hunt.

Mr. Lomax McIntyre was special Easter guest of Mrs. Mary H. Burton of 805 West Lenox St.

The Arcadia Lounge on Bright St. in Kinston is where the gang gets together for the fun of it.

Jonah Reese of Greenville runs the largest sepia furniture store in North Carolina.

Charles Cobb, who operates the Bombay Club in Kinston, is the nephew of retired Police Commissioner Battle of New York City and the son of Moses P. Cobb, the first Negro policeman in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Frank Pollock of New Bern was once a Navy man; but now operates a large department store in his "old" hometown.

Clyde Liggin in Mebane has really given the homefolks a "treat" in developing a new spacious "spot" for the guys and gals.

Dr. C. G. "Cad" O'Kelly's name was mentioned in this "colym" last week at the greatest recruiter of his day, and a number of prominent names were listed as fellows he carried to Durham to play football, baseball and basketball, for North Carolina College . . . More prominent names have come in to swell the long list of athletes who feel indebted to the great "C.G." for landing at the Durham institution . . . Reginald Innis of Smithfield, who was so great as a state basketballer that Coach Johnny McLendon retired his number after his playing days, says that Dr. O'Kelly started on him when he was a freshman in high school . . . and when he was ready for college, Dr. O'Kelly came to Smithfield and carried him to Durham in his car.

Gentleman "Doll" Haywood, a well-known Raleigh undertaker, says that the "Dr." changed his mind about A&T College and landed him in Durham . . . "The Doll" was a star pitcher on the baseball team and a crack football player . . . Neville of Rocky Mount, Isaac Smith of New Bern, the late Dr. John Kay Price of Petersburg, Harry Sith of New York City and the great singer Oscar Holland were O'Kelly importers.

All were star athletes except Holland, Dr. "Cad" brought him in to sing . . . "In what hall does a statue to Dr. O'Kelly stand on State's campus?"

New homes that the "King of Siam" would be glad to live in: Lawyer Harvey Beech, Kinston; Undertaker Steve Rogers, Fayetteville; Dr. W. T. Armstrong, Rocky Mount; William "Bubber" McPherson, Hillsboro; Prof. John Lucas, Oxford, and Dr. Colston of the same city.

MARY PHILLIPS PTA TO STAGE ALL-MALE BATHING BEAUTY CONTEST AND FASHION SHOW

A bathing beauty contest and fashion show, featuring Willie Watkins as Miss Maryland; Roy Hicks as Miss Pennsylvania; "Skink" Browning as Miss Atlantic City; Worthy McClain as Miss New York; Mr. Scott as Miss Florida; George Snellings as Miss Kentucky; Roman Grier as Miss North Carolina; and Willie George Hinton as Miss Virginia, will be staged Wednesday night, April 8th in the Mary Phillips School auditorium with Sam Clark as producer and Master of Ceremonies. The whole thing is a riot and ad buckles, belts and bulging shapes are even more shamefully exciting . . . The whole town is invited to the event for an evening of side-splitting, heckling, hissing and laughter.

Lucille Hunter School News

The Lucille Hunter P. T. A. met in the school auditorium with Mrs. Marie Macon presiding recently.

Mrs. Lillian Branch, head of the Girl Scouts, spoke briefly thanking the parents and friends for cooperating with the Scouts in the cookie sale. She announced that the Scouts sold over \$474.00 worth of cookies this year.

The program for the evening was presented in the form of three study groups.

Group I — "Preparing Your Child for Junior High School" was discussed by the sixth grade parents and teachers. Mrs. T. T. Daley, Ligon High School counselor, led the discussion.

Group II — The fourth and fifth grade parents and teachers under

the leadership of Mr. J. W. Edwards, band director for Raleigh Public Schools, discussed "Developing Children's Interests and Talents."

Group III — "Promoting Good Study Habits" was discussed by primary parents and teachers. Elder J. T. Crowell, pastor of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, led this group.

The attendance banner was won by Mr. Roman Walton for having the most parents present.

Mrs. Agnes Parker, president of the Grade Mothers Club presented to the school two lovely silver punch bowls Mrs. Macon, president, led the discussion.

Group II — The fourth and fifth grade parents and teachers under

Artesia High School News

Artesia is very proud of the fact that Miss Connie Lou Antonio, one of our alumni, "Miss Artesia" of 1954, a senior at the State Teachers College, Winston-Salem, and a member of the college band, is now doing her practice teaching here in our school under the direction of Miss E. M. Faulk, fifth grade teacher and Mrs. K. S. Powell, the department chairman.

The primary department of Artesia High School will present the operetta "Children of Old Mother Goose" in Artesia's Gymnasium, on Thursday Night, March 26, at 8 o'clock.

It promises to be one of the best ever presented here. You will

In And Around Hillsboro

BY BERNICE HUGHES

HILLSBORO — The Mars Hill Home Demonstration Club sponsored a variety program at the Ridge Road School Saturday night, March 21. Various dances and other activities took place. A radio was won by Mrs. Lizzie Jordan; a ham by Mary Alice Watkins. The cake walk contest was won by Paul Souplet. Chicken sandwiches, hot dogs, drinks, ice cream and cake was on sale.

The Mars Hill Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. Judie Davis on March 18th. A movie on "Cleaning Up Your Surroundings" was shown by Mr. E. Davis, a teacher at Central High School. Fried chicken, potato salad, ice cream and cake was served.

The Rev. Sister Lucy James was guest speaker at the Palm Sunday services at Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church. The Rev. J. S. T. Decker is pastor.

Mrs. Helen Kirkland was the weekend guest of her mother, Mrs. Emma Tapp, of Hurdle Mills.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 18, at Pine Hill Church for Mr. Thomas Vinson, Mr. Vinson died suddenly Sunday night.

Mrs. Giles Rainsby passed March 15 after being in declining health for several years. Funeral services were held March 18, at Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church.

Mr. James Smith is confined to his home due to sickness.

Ed L. Valliant was the weekend guest of Miss Thelma Wade.

Durham News

BY MRS. I. L. SCHELOCK

DURHAM — Mrs. Katie Washington, Mrs. Gertha Rich are confined in the Fort Bragg Hospital. Other sick persons are Mrs. Cecelia Evans, Mrs. Vivian McRaney, Mrs. Dallas Cole, Mr. Willie Jones, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mrs. Lela Lyons Williams, Mr. Thomas Jackson in the Duke Hospital.

The West Durham Mission Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Joseph Davis.

Clean-up Week started at Mt. Glend Church in Orange County for the purpose of beautifying the church yard and cemetery. Clean-up activities will take place on the fourth Friday and Saturday in



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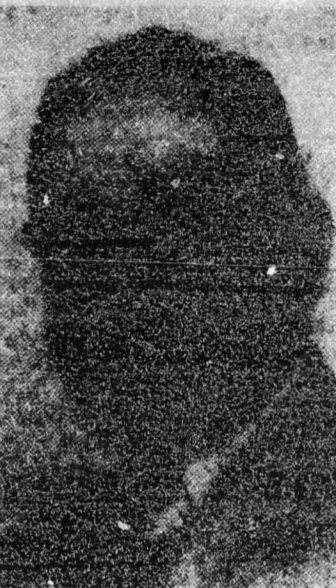
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Cox Sales Confab Highlights:

NC Mutual Observes 60th Year

DURHAM — North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company observed the Seventh Annual George Wayne Cox Sales Convention in recognition of the Company's Sixtieth Anniversary, Wednesday evening, April 1, at a banquet in the Dining Hall of North Carolina College at Durham. Speaker for the occasion was Raymond C. Johnson, vice-president in Charge of Agency Affairs, New York Life Insurance Company.

Among some of the prominent out-of-town guests were Honorable George A. Padmore, Liberian Ambassador to the United States; E. L. Simon, President, National Insurance Association, Atlanta, Georgia; Attorney General Malcolm B. Seawell of North Carolina; Val J. Washington, Director of Mortuaries, Republican National

Committee, Washington; Arthur C. Daniels, Vice-President, Institute of Life Insurance, New York City; Leroy W. Jeffries, Vice-President, Johnson Publishing Company, Chicago, President, Norfolk Journal and Illinois; and Thomas W. Young, Guide, Norfolk, Virginia.

Other celebrations of North Carolina Mutual's Sixtieth Anniversary began Sunday, March 29 at 5 p. m. when the minister, Dr. Melvin Chester Swann, officers and members of St. Joseph's A. M. E. Church honored North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company on the occasion of its Sixtieth Anniversary with a special Vesper Service followed by a reception.

Guest speaker for the occasion was the nationally known orator and pulpiteer, Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson, President of

Howard University, Washington, D. C., John H. Wheeler, President, Mechanics and Farmers Bank, Durham and Raleigh, presided. Music was furnished by the Senior Choir of the church under the direction of Joseph T. Mitchell with Mrs. Minnie Gilmer at the console.

In the forenoon on Wednesday, April 1, North Carolina Mutual's Home Office employees and visitors assembled in the Home Office auditorium for a period of meditation. Speaker for the occasion was Mrs. E. A. J. Whitted, retired Assistant Treasurer and Cashier, with a service record of fifty years. Following this service, a Sixtieth Anniversary Dinner was served to all Home Office employees, program participants, and out-of-town guests.



TUTTLE GARDEN CLUB PRESENTS CHECK — The Tuttle Garden Club presented a beautiful spring tea Sunday, March 22, at the Tuttle Community Center, using a green and white color scheme which won the admiration of the many guests. A green and white cake baked by Mrs. Evelyn George would have won first prize had it been offered by Dolcie Johnson, Jacquelyn Mitchell, Brinda Kee; interesting poems by Patricia Andrews, Mrs. Odessa Brooks, and Mrs. Helen Mitchell, Dianne White played the "Walk of Blue Bird" on a clarinet. The last feature of the program was the presentation of a check for \$25.00 to the Center toward improvement of the drive-way. Mrs. Helen Mitchell is shown presenting check to Mrs. F. J. Caruaga, director. Left to right: Mrs. Helen Mitchell, president; Mrs. F. J. Caruaga, executive director; Mrs. Evelyn George, Mrs. Fayver White, Mrs. A. M. Howell, Mrs. Ruth Peaten, Mrs. Caille Jones, Mrs. Bernice Hinton, Mrs. Jennie Mae Mason, Mrs. Odessa Brooks, Mrs. Justine Perry, and Mrs. John Small.

Carver School News

WENDELL — On Thursday, March 26, the 7th and part of the 8th grades presented an Easter program at the regular assembly hour at the Carver School.

The program opened with a brief devotional period which consisted of a song, scripture, prayer, and morning hymn, with Leo Perry acting as master of ceremonies.

The title of the program rendered was, "An Idea of Easter Near and Far." The participants gave a

most colorful picture of how Easter is celebrated all over the world. We were told that even the flowers raise their heads as if to say Christ is Risen as He said.

The three main symbols of Easter, namely—Easter Lilies, Eggs, and rabbits were beautifully presented by the participating group.

Members of the class taking part in the exercises were: Leon Perry, Vera Price, Gloria Peoples, Barbara Ann Perry, George Adams, JoAnn Bass, Patricia Lee, Carolyn Davis, Harry Price, Dorothy Bullock, Barbara Ann Street and Walter Mayo. Mrs. S. R. Speed is teacher for this class.

The stage was attractively decorated with a large bunny rabbit. A cluster of large Easter eggs surrounded this rabbit. The rabbit and eggs were made of paper, stuffed with cotton and cloth and painted with the beautiful colors which we see at Easter-time.

Comments relating to the resurrection of Christ were given by Mr. J. E. Speed, principal of the school.

Henderson News

BY GENEVA B. WILLIAMS

HENDERSON — C. James David, the broadcaster from WRNC - FIE and AM, celebrated his twelfth anniversary at Henderson Institute Sunday. Citizens in Henderson appreciate his loyalty, work, and personality.

Participating singing groups were the "Carolina Kings," "Five Tones of Harmony," "New Bethel Quartet," "Kittrell College Chorus," "Silver Tones," "Rain Creek Chorus," "Virginia Singers," and others. Twelve prizes were given and the singers sang to the glory of God.

Master of ceremonies was Milton Red Burton, broadcaster for WYWH of Henderson.

We wish Mr. David all the success and congratulations to him.

April Persons having relatives buried in the cemetery are requested to come or send one to help.

Mrs. Doris Mae Neathery has returned home after attending her mother's funeral, Mrs. Martha Frazier Williams.

Conetoe School News

BY W. T. ELLIS, SR.

The livestock judging team of Central School, Nashville, took home the first-place trophy at the Inboard Federation Livestock Judging Contest at Conetoe School Monday, March 16.

The Ralph Bunche School of Weldon placed second, first and second place trophies were presented to Central High and Ralph J. Wooten, a member of the board of directors of the Rocky Mt. Chamber of Commerce.

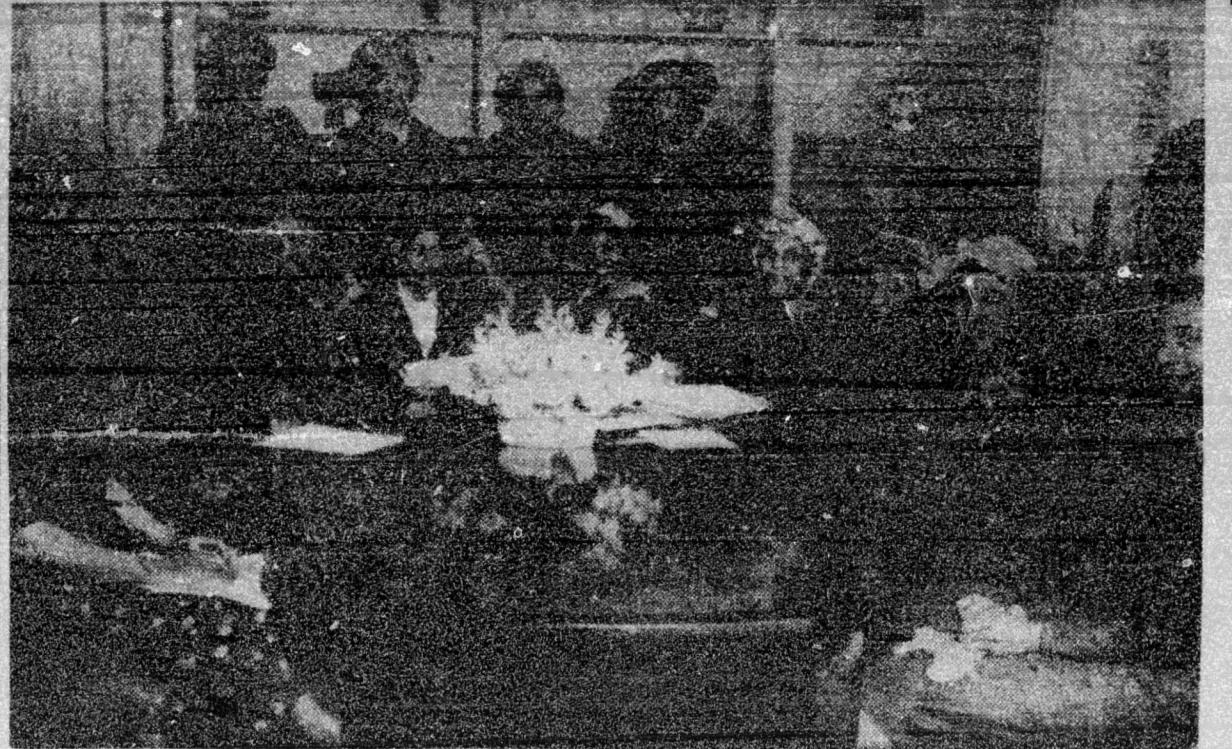
Schools winning the highest number of individual points were Frederick Douglas School of Elm City and Conetoe School of Conetoe, first and second respectively.

Participating schools include: Brawley High School of Seebond Neck, Carver High of Pinetops, Central High of Nashville, Chaloner High of Roanoke Rapids, Conetoe of Conetoe, Eastman High of Enfield, Frederick Douglas High of Elm City, Melver High of Littleton, Phillips High of Battleground, Ralph J. Bunche High of Spring Hope, Spring Field High of Lucama, Swift Creek High of Wilkesboro.

First place winner of the Central High School will represent the Inboard Federation of New Farmers of America in the State Judging Contest at A and T College in June.

An assembly program was held by the Conetoe chapter of the NFA. Benjamin Jones of host chapter presided at the program. Venore Deloach expanded the welcome.

While Joseph Stalen gave a prayer, J. T. Wooten from the Rocky Mt. Chamber of Commerce made encouraging remarks. R. E. Fitzgerald, advisor for the winning team,



WOMEN'S MEDICAL AUXILIARY — Members of the executive committee of the Women's Auxiliary of the Old North State Medical Society, met at Greensboro, recently, to complete plans for the annual meeting to be held at A&T College June 9-11. Among the members of the executive group are front left to right: seated—Mrs. M. D. Quigless, Tarboro; Mrs. D. P. Graham, Charlotte; Mrs. F. W. Avent, Wilmington; Mrs. K. W. Jones, President, Reidsville; Mrs. C. D. Grandy, Vice President, Durham; Mrs. Robert Lesueur, Recording Secretary, Burlington; Mrs. E. E. Blackman, Treasurer, Charlotte; Mrs. I. H. Perkins, Corresponding Secretary, Reidsville; Mrs. L. C. Croque, Publicity Director, Winston-Salem; standing—Mrs. F. E. Davis, Greensboro; Mrs. R. H. Greene, Charlotte; Mrs. D. F. Allen; and Mrs. W. C. Shanks, Burlington.



TRY FOR SIZE — Top students in the sophomore class of the School of Nursing at A&T College were thrilled last Sunday (March 15) prior to the annual capping exercises as they checked to the caps for size. The girls, all honor students, are from left to right: Johnnie Bell, Durham, winner of the Dr. C. C. Stewart Memorial Scholarship Award, given by the Greensboro Medical Society; Patsy Raper, High Point, winner of the Moses H. Cone Women's Auxiliary Award and Clara Leach, Fuquay Springs, winner of the Medical-Surgical Award, given by the Greensboro Academy of Medicine.

Six Masked Men Rob SC 1st National Bank

CHARLESTON, S. C. — The FBI Monday charged a 32-year-old ex-convict with participation in Monday's \$7,159 robbery of the Calhoun Street Branch of the First National Bank of Charleston.

The suspect, Benjamin Carter, colored, was arrested at his home (180 President St.) here Monday night. Carter was scheduled to be taken before U. S. Commissioner W. Gaines Smith for a preliminary hearing.

He was charged with being one of the six Negroes involved in Monday's high noon holdup of the bank less than three blocks from the Charleston City Police Station and two blocks from the Port City's busiest intersection.

Four armed men with stocking masks over their heads robbed the bank while a fifth drove the getaway car and a sixth stood lookout in the bank parking lot.

An FBI spokesman said Carter was identified by one of

the witnesses in the bank at the time of the holdup. The spokesman said the suspect was "a married man with a police record."

He was charged with violation of the Federal Bank Robbery statute.

Carter was being held by the Charleston County Jail. The spokesman said officials making the arrest found no weapons or money from the bank loot in Carter's home.

Killer's Trial Postponed

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — The trial of a former school teacher charged with murder in the fatal shooting of his wife was postponed Monday because a material witness could not be found.

Judge John D. Hooker continued the trial of Curtis Higgenbotham, 36, of Martinsville, when Greensville County, Va., Sheriff R. A. Allen reported he had been unable to locate Howard Williams, who had been subpoenaed as a witness for the prosecution.

Higgenbotham is charged with

the killing of his wife, Charmion, who was shot to death as she lay in bed last Dec. 6.

The victim was also a school teacher, at Albert Harris High School here. Higgenbotham taught at George Washington Carter High in adjoining Henry County until he was arrested for the slaying.

Sheriff Allen, telephoned from the courtroom when Williams failed to appear, said he had searched for the man since the subpoena papers arrived a week ago but had not been able to find him.

Ellerbe News

ELLERBE — The Parents and Teachers Association held its monthly meeting Tuesday night, March 10, in the school auditorium.

The meeting opened with the song, "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross," followed with prayer by Rev. J. H. Little, after which another verse of the above song was sung.

The president greeted the members and expressed her happiness at the many members present. The purpose of the P. T. A. was re-emphasized by the president, Mrs. Esther Chandler.

A special program for the entertainment of the body was given under the supervision of Mrs. Judy Bostie. The program featured poems by Misses Mary Blake, Maggie Belf, Jacob, Victoria Baldwin, Nora Capel, Esther McLean, and Miss Patricia Graham. Solos were rendered by Little Miss Susan McLean, and a very inspiring spiritual by Mrs. Brida Parker.

Other features of the program were a performance by the newly-organized Mineral Springs Band under the direction of Mr. N. Abrams, and a quartet led by J. C. Walden with Thaddeus Brewington, Spencer supplying the harmony.

Dumas Brewington, and William Barbara Swann accompanied the quartet on the piano and sang a selection.

presented individual awards to the winners of individual points.

The purpose of the judging contest was outlined by J. E. Batts, principal of Conetoe School. W. T. Ellis, Sr., local teacher of agriculture, recognized the competing teams.

Judges for the placement of animals were T. C. Boyd, Farm agent in Edgecombe County, and his assistant, Mr. Short. The other judge was G. C. Pierce of Wilson Co.

Approximately 75 boys and advisors witnessed the annual contest, which came, visiting chapters.

The next convective for the Inboard Federation will be held at the G. W. Carver School in Pinetops on Monday, April 20.

Phillips High School

BATTLEBORO — The Inboard Federation of New Farmers of America conducted the Annual Livestock and Judging Contest at Conetoe High School, Conetoe, last week.

The Phillips local team won fourth place with a score of 500 points out of a possible score of 1200. The chapter was represented by Roswell Whitaker, president of local chapter and vice president of the Federation.

The members of the team were: James Dickens, Samuel Purcell, Winston Wade, and Laverne Howington, alternate. Young Wade and James Dickens won individual honors with 340 points each.

The classes of livestock judged were: Herford animals; Hampshire pigs; Guernsey dairy cattle; and New Hampshire Red laying hens.

J. L. Wooten, owner of the Lancaster Stock Yards, Rocky Mount, presented the trophies for the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce and gave the keynote address to NFA members, advisors, and student body assembled at the culminating program.

Mr. Wooten expressed a keen interest in the livestock judging program of the Inboard Federation, and he encouraged the members to grow into the livestock and poultry business by learning and using approved practices.

R. E. Fitzgerald presented awards to seven high scoring individuals, and he pointed out that there was a request for a third place trophy from the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce next year. Other members of the award committee were: James H. Dickens and L. C. Rogers.

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